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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

U.S. Patent Application Publication 2002/0042880
U.S. Patent Application Publication 2003/0018900
U.S. Patent Application Publication 2005/0273863
Europe 1,193,593 *pb*
Japan 8-235114
Japan 11-296327
Japan 2002-202945
Japan 2002-259108

It is believed that U.S. Patent 5,671,354 is an English language counterpart to Japan 8-235114, and that U.S. Patent 6,378,070 is an English language counterpart of

Japan 11-296327. Accordingly, those patents are also listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialling the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

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Respectfully submitted,

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